

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF MINES, MINERALS & ENERGY
VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD
October 21, 2008

Pursuant to Sections 45.1-361.9.B and 45.1-361.22.B of the Code of Virginia, the Virginia Gas and Oil Board will conduct a hearing commencing at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, October 21, 2008, at the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center on the campus of Virginia Highlands Community College, Abingdon, Virginia. The board will hear and address the following items:

1. The Board will receive a quarterly report on the board escrow account as administered by Wachovia Bank, Escrow Agent for the Virginia Gas and Oil Board.
2. A petition from Equitable Production Company for pooling of a drilling unit supported by wells VH-539904 and VH-539905, Lipps District, Wise County, Virginia. Docket VGOB 08-0819-2308. **Continued from August.**
3. Petitions and Memorandum of Law filed by S. T. Mullins and J. Scott Sexton on behalf of GeoMet operating appealing a decision by the Director of the Division of Gas and Oil regarding Informal Fact Finding Conference IFFC 20908. (Jewell Smokeless Coal Corp. who originally filed objections in conjunction with Island Creek Coal has been dismissed from this continuance after an agreement addressing safety concerns were reached between Jewell Smokeless Coal Corporation and GeoMet Operating Company Inc.) Docket Number VGOB-08-0617-2259. **Continued from September.**
4. A petition from S. T. Mullins on behalf of GeoMet Operating Company appealing a decision by the Director of the Division of Gas and Oil regarding Informal Fact Finding Conference IFFC 21008. Docket Number VGOB-08-0617-2260. **Continued from September.**
5. A petition from Mark A. Swartz on behalf of Island Creek Coal Company appealing a decision by the Director of the Division of Gas and Oil regarding Informal Fact Finding Conference IFFC 21108. Docket Number VGOB-08-0617-2261. **Continued from September.**
6. A petition from Equitable Production Company for pooling of 320 acre unit served by well VH-539923, Gladeville District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0715-2275. **Continued from September.**
7. A petition from Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. for a well location exception for proposed well V-537747, Ervinton District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0819-2321. **Continued from September.**
8. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC to re-pool coalbed methane unit J-36, Garden District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB 08-0318-2159-01. **Continued from September.**

9. A petition from Equitable Production Company for establishment of a provisional drilling unit consisting of 480 acres for the drilling of horizontal conventional gas wells served by wells VH-531022 and VH-531104, Gladeville District, Wise County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB 08-0916-2322. **Continued from September.**
10. A petition from Equitable Production Company for establishment of a provisional drilling unit consisting of 320 acres for the drilling of horizontal conventional gas wells served by wells VH-531024 and VH-539988, Roberson District, Wise County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB 08-0916-2323. **Continued from September.**
11. A petition from Equitable Production Company for establishment of a provisional drilling unit consisting of 320 acres for the drilling of horizontal conventional gas wells served by well VH-539574, Gladeville District, Wise County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB 08-0916-2324. **Continued from September.**
12. A petition from Equitable Production Company for establishment of a provisional drilling unit consisting of 320 acres for the drilling of horizontal conventional gas wells served by well VH-539576, Gladeville District, Wise County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB 08-0916-2325. **Continued from September.**
13. A petition from Chesapeake Appalachia, LLC for re-pooling of horizontal conventional unit 826879 Knox District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0715-2287-01. **Continued from September.**
14. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC for pooling of coalbed methane unit M(-1), Prater District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2346.
15. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC for pooling of coalbed methane unit AX-131, Maiden Springs District, Tazewell County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2347.
16. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC for pooling of coalbed methane unit AX-134, Maiden Springs District, Tazewell County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2348.
17. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC for pooling of coalbed methane unit AZ-134, Maiden Springs District, Tazewell County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2349.
18. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC for pooling of coalbed methane unit BA-138, Maiden Springs District, Tazewell County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2350.
19. A petition from Equitable Production Company for the establishment of a 235.08-acre provisional drilling unit for drilling of horizontal coalbed methane gas wells

- served by well VCH-531090, Ervinton District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2351.
20. A petition from Equitable Production Company for the establishment of a 235.08-acre provisional drilling unit for drilling of horizontal coalbed methane gas wells and served by well VCH-531092, Ervinton District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2352.
 21. A petition from Equitable Production Company for the establishment of a 234.91-acre provisional drilling unit for drilling of horizontal coalbed methane gas wells and served by well VCH-539986, Ervinton District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2353.
 22. A petition from Equitable Production Company for the establishment of a 235.23 acre provisional drilling unit for drilling of horizontal coalbed methane gas wells and served by well VCH-531109, Ervinton District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2354.
 23. A petition from Equitable Production Company for the establishment of a 235.38-acre provisional drilling unit for the drilling of horizontal coalbed methane gas wells and served by well VCH-531031, Lipps District, Wise County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2355.
 24. A petition from Equitable Production Company for modification of the Nora Coalbed Gas Field Rules to allow for drilling of an additional well in Units BY49 and BZ49, Kenady District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-89-0126-0009-35.
 25. A petition from Equitable Production Company for disbursement of funds from escrow and authorization of direct payment of royalties on Tract 3, Kenady District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-01-1016-0968-01.
 26. A petition from Equitable Production Company for disbursement of funds from escrow and authorization of direct payment of royalties on Tract 4, Castlewood District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-04-0921-1337-01.
 27. A petition from Equitable Production Company for disbursement of funds from escrow and authorization of direct payment of royalties on Tract , Castlewood District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-02-1217-1109-03.
 28. A petition from Equitable Production Company for disbursement of funds from escrow and authorization of direct payment of royalties on Tract 2, Hurricane District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-99-0922-0749-01.
 29. A petition from Appalachian Energy, Inc. for pooling of coalbed methane unit H-37, Garden District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2356.

30. A petition from Chesapeake Appalachia, LLC for pooling of conventional gas unit 826868, Rocklick District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2357.
31. A petition from Chesapeake Appalachia, LLC for pooling of conventional gas unit 827067, Knox District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2358.
32. A petition from Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. for a well location exception for proposed well V-530058, Sandlick District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2359.
33. A petition from Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. for a well location exception for proposed well V-537912, Ervinton District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2360.
34. A petition from Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. for the establishment of a drilling unit and pooling of conventional gas unit V-530107, Kenady District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2361.
35. A petition from Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. for the establishment of a drilling unit and pooling of conventional gas unit V-530116, Castlewood District, Russell County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2362.
36. A petition from Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. for the establishment of a drilling unit and pooling of conventional gas unit V-530117, Ervinton District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-1021-2363.
37. A petition from Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. for a well location exception for proposed well V-537747, Ervinton District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0819-2321.
- 38.** The Board Committee considering Post Production Cost Allowances when involuntarily “pooled”, is considering a recommendation to the full Board that would prohibit deductions from royalty payments, altering paragraph 9.2 of existing Board Orders. The Committee is requesting comment from the Industry and public prior to a formal motion.

Docket item 38 will be continued to November.

Information concerning the above docket items can be viewed from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at the office of the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy, Division of Gas and Oil, 230 Charwood Drive, Abingdon, Virginia. All questions concerning the agenda should be directed to the Division of Gas and Oil by telephoning 276-676-5423.

Special accommodations for the disabled will be made available at the hearing on request. Anyone needing special accommodations for the October hearing should contact the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy, Division of Gas and Oil at 276-676-5423 or by calling the Virginia Relay Center TTY/TDD 1-800-828-1120 or 1140 by October 16, 2008.

The deadline for filing of petitions to the Board for the November hearing is 5 p.m. **October 17, 2008** with **the hearing scheduled** for 9 a.m. on Tuesday, November 18, 2008 at the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center, Abingdon, Virginia.